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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Application Number	09/661,447
Filing Date	09/13/2000
First Named Inventor	Helen B. McIntosh
Group Art Unit	3714
Examiner Name	Suhol, Dimitry
Attorney Docket Number	79221-001

This is a Request For continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior June 8, 1995 or to any Design application. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

1. **(Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114)** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instruct otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendments(s).

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if the box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). Check in the amount of \$ 790.00 is enclosed.
- i. ☒ Extension of time fee \$ 1,020.00 (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 08-3460.
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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Application of: Helen B. McIntosh	Group No.: 3714
Application No.: 9/661,447	Atty. Docket No.: 79221-001
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Title: System and Method for Enabling Conflict Resolution	

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION  
WITH SUBMISSION OF AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

HONORABLE SIR:

Please note that Applicant has engaged new counsel in this matter as provided in the Revocation of Power of Attorney filed on May 28, 2005. In response to the official communication of March 4, 2005, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, Applicant hereby submits a Request for Continued Examination of this Application and, in connection therewith, submits the following Amendments and Response. It is believed that extensions of time may be required to prevent abandonment of this Application, and all such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any and all fees required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account 08-3460.

Applicant resubmits and incorporates by this reference the Rule 132 Declaration of Dr. Helen B. McIntosh, filed November 20, 2004 (the "McIntosh Declaration").